

MASHING BLOW CRUSHES GERMAN LINES AT VERDUN

French Troops Sweep Forward Over Front of Four and One-Half Miles.

MANY STRATEGIC POINTS
AGAIN ARE IN THEIR HANDS

Places for Which Crown Prince
Paid Thousands of Lives
Reclaimed.

LANY PRISONERS CAPTURED
Last Munition Stores in Underground
Vaults and Fortresses
Taken.

[By Associated Press.]
LONDON, October 24.—Switching
their offensive from the Somme region,
the French—possibly as a counter to the
advance of the Teutonic allies in the
Dobruja region of Roumania—the
French have smashed the German line
north and northeast of Verdun over a
front of four and one-third miles,
penetrating it along its entire length,
in the center gaining a distance of
nearly two miles.

Preceded by a violent bombardment,
such as marked the great attacks and
counterattacks during the days when
Verdun was the focal point in world
interest, the offensive was delivered
approximately from the eastern bank
of the Meuse River, near Bras, east-
ward to the Damloup battery.

When night fell the village and fort
of Douaumont, in the center, were in
the hands of the French, while on their
left wing the Frenchmen had pushed
beyond Thiaumont and captured the
Haudmont quarry and taken up po-
sitions along the "Bras-Douaumont"

road. On their right they were consid-
erably advanced, having made from
Douaumont to Damloup. More than
2,500 prisoners and quantities of war
material were captured by the French.

DETENTIONS GIVING NO REST
TO RUSSIANS AND ROMANIANS

In the Dobruja region of Roumania
the Germans, Bulgarians and Turks
are giving no rest to the Russians and
Romanians, who continue in retreat
along the entire front from the Black
Sea to the Danube River, although at
some points they are vigorously op-
posing the advance of the invaders.

At Ruchova, on the river a short dis-
tance below Tchernavoda, and Medjidie,
on the railway midway between Tcher-
navoda and Constanza, have fallen into
the hands of the Teutonic allies. In
the latter region cavalry is pursuing
the retreating Russo-Romanian forces
along the railway line.

More than 6,700 prisoners have been
taken by Field Marshal von Macken-
sen.

Constantinople reports the operations
of Turkish submarines in the Black
Sea off the Roumanian coast in the
sinking of a 2,000-ton Roumanian
transport and sailing supply ships
bound for Constanza and other ports.

Preceded, to the southward of Kron-
stadt, on the Transylvanian front, have
been captured by the Austro-German
forces, according to Berlin, and the
resistance of Roumania in the Rothern-
thum Pass, south of Hermannstadt,
has been broken. Bukharest an-
nounces that, in an attack along the
entire Oltuz region, the Roumanians
captured several hundred prisoners and
ten guns.

COMPARATIVE CALM
FROM MOUNTAINS TO SEA

From the Baltic Sea to the Car-
pathian Mountains, a period of com-
parative calm again has set in. On
the Austro-Italian front at various points,
especially in the Asiago plateau, in
the Sugana valley, in the Piava sector
of the middle Isonzo, and on the Carso
front, are vigorously bombarding op-
posing positions.

The Serbs in the Cerna region of the
Macedonian front have put down a
German-Bulgarian attack, and them-
selves delivered a thrust which was
warded by the capture of several
trenches. In the Dolina sector the
British also captured a Teutonic allied
trench. Floods are interfering with
the operations on the Struma front.

Four British and four Norwegian
cruisers have been sunk by subma-
rines or mines. The tonnage of the
British steamers sunk aggregated
12,291.

FRENCH RUSH FORWARD
ALONG VERDUN FRONT

[By Associated Press.]
PARIS, October 24.—In a powerful
series of attacks on the Verdun front
the French have captured the village
of Thiaumont, advanced beyond the
Thiaumont work and farm, and
occupied also the Haudmont
quarries, north of Verdun, according
to the bulletin issued by the War
Office to-night. The prisoners cap-
tured and counted thus far number
2,500. The text reads:

"On the Verdun front, after intense
artillery preparation, an attack on the
right bank of the Meuse was launched
on October 24. The enemy line, at-
tacked on a front of seven kilometers
from four and one-third miles), was broken
through everywhere to a depth which
at the center attained a distance of
three kilometers (nearly two miles).
"The village and fort of Douaumont
are in our hands.
"To the left, our troops, advancing
beyond the Thiaumont work and farm,
reached the Haudmont quarries and
established themselves along the road
from Bras to Douaumont.
"On the right, the fort of Thiaumont
was taken. The line of La Caillette, west
along the western outcrops of the vil-
lage of Vaux and the eastern border

M'CORMICK AGAIN SUED BY O'LEARY

Action Based on Statement Said
to Have Been Given to
Newspapers.

SUM OF \$100,000 ASKED

Sequel to National Committee's
Charge of Secret Agreement
With Hughes.

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, October 24.—Vance Mc-
Cormick, chairman of the Democratic
National Committee, was served late
to-day with a summons and complaint
in a second suit for libel brought
against him by Jeremiah A. O'Leary,
one of the heads of the American In-
dependence Conference.

The action, which is for \$100,000, is
based on a statement Mr. McCormick
is said to have given to the news-
papers on Monday. This statement, it
was asserted, was in connection with
charges by the Democratic National
Committee that a secret agreement
was made between O'Leary and his
associates and Charles E. Hughes,
Republican presidential nominee, by
which Mr. Hughes made speeches to
conform to "demands" of the Ameri-
can Independence Conference.

ON STATEMENT
O'Leary's first suit against the
chairman of the Democratic National
Committee was based on a statement
Mr. McCormick was said to have made
concerning O'Leary after the latter
had sent a telegram to President Wil-
son criticizing his administration. The
President replied, in substance, to
O'Leary that he would feel "deeply
mortified" if O'Leary, or anybody "like
you," voted for him.

The Democratic National Committee
to-night issued its "third installment"
of charges involving Mr. Hughes and
the American Independence Conference.
What purported to be "confidential
committee reports" were made public,
and were declared to "reveal in detail
the secret purposes, plans and scope of
the so-called political organization pro-
moted by Jeremiah A. O'Leary and his
associates."

STORY FROM CHICAGO
Chairman McCormick and former
Governor Martin J. Glynn denied to-
night a statement issued from Re-
publican headquarters quoting a tele-
gram from Will R. McDonald, of Chi-
cago, in which he charged that Mr.
Glynn had conferred on a train with
O'Leary just before President Wilson's
speech of acceptance. The McDonald
statement said Mr. Glynn had asked
O'Leary to use his influence to induce
the American Independence Conference
not to throw its support to Mr. Hughes
until after the speech had been dis-
cussed by Mr. Glynn with President
Wilson.

Mr. Glynn declared he met O'Leary
on the train and talked with him
about politics, the weather and many
other things, in the public smoking
compartment of their car, but added
that he never at any time men-
tioned the conversation to President
Wilson.

Mr. McCormick asserted he never
saw or heard of O'Leary until after
O'Leary's telegram to President Wil-
son.

FUND NOW \$7,000,000

That Sum Already Paid in for Care
of Indigent Methodist
Ministers.

[By Associated Press.]
CHICAGO, October 24.—Plans for
the investment of the \$7,000,000 already
paid into the fund for indigent and
superannuated ministers and for a
campaign to increase this fund to \$15-
000,000 were discussed to-day at a
special meeting of the board of con-
ference claimants of the Methodist
Episcopal Church here. The report of
Joseph B. Hingley, secretary, showed
that more than \$1,000,000 had been paid
in during September, of which \$600,000
had been given for the Detroit con-
ference and \$400 for the Michigan
conference by the son of a Methodist
minister of Detroit. He also reported
the receipt of \$450 from the estate of
Mrs. Ellen S. James, of New York,
and announced that the additional
\$300,000 would be given the board at
the settlement of the estate.

TERMS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Financiers Are Preparing to Float
Immense Loan for Great
Britain.

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, October 24.—Official
announcement of the terms of the new
loan to Great Britain by American
financiers is expected here before the
close of this week. The amount will
be \$250,000,000 or \$300,000,000. It is un-
derstood, bearing 5 per cent interest,
with the issuing price at 99, and matu-
rity in two years.

As security, collateral representing
between \$225,000,000 and \$250,000,000
will be offered, under tentative plans
made public unofficially to-day. This
would consist of American stocks and
bonds mobilized by the British treas-
ury and Canadian issues and obliga-
tions of neutral countries.

The suggested terms are virtually the
same as those arranged when Great
Britain borrowed \$250,000,000 in the
United States last August.

Taft on Speaking Tour.

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, October 24.—Former
President Taft left here to-day on a
speaking tour in behalf of Charles E.
Hughes, which will carry him as far
west as Iowa and Missouri and keep
him engaged until November 4.

RAILROAD BY BOAT.

YORK RIVER LINE NEW STEAMERS. \$2.50
one way; \$4.00 round trip.—Adv.

CARRANZA TO SEEK SAFETY IN FLIGHT

First Chief Reported to Be Pre-
paring to Quit
Mexico.

HIS POWER IS WEAKENING

Department Officials in Wash-
ington Are Inclined to
Believe Reports.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, October 24.—Charges
that General Carranza is preparing to
leave Mexico are being freely made by
his political opponents in Mexico City.
They are based upon his decision to
leave his capital for Queretaro and the
fact that Mrs. Carranza already has
crossed the border into the United
States, accompanied by the wife of her
husband's War Minister and chief sup-
porter, General Obregon.

Information to this effect is reach-
ing officials here from various reliable
sources. So far nothing tangible tend-
ing to support the story has come
through official channels. It is known,
however, that many officials here be-
lieve General Carranza has committed
a political blunder, at least, if he is
not in fact preparing for flight, by
permitting his family to leave Mexico
just at this time. The trip, they say,
was certain to be construed by his
enemies as a confession of weakness.

TOUR OF THIS COUNTRY
The purpose of the visit of Mrs. Car-
ranza and Mrs. Obregon, as explained
at the Mexican embassy, is for a tour
of the United States. Word of the
arrival at the border also of Mrs.
Jacinto Trevino, wife of the military
commander of Chihuahua State, had
not been received to-night. It was
pointed out, however, that Trevino
has been among Carranza's staunchest
supporters, and that if the first chief be-
lieved his hold on the political situa-
tion was weakening, Trevino very
probably would be warned, in order
that he might also place his family in
safety.

The State Department had not re-
ceived word to-night that Generals
Carranza and Obregon had left Mexico
for Queretaro. Previous advice, how-
ever, said that the first chief would
go to that place in connection with the
meeting of the constitutional conven-
tion, for which delegates were elected
last week.

DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS
THINK END APPROACHING

Persistent reports that Carranza was
about to leave Mexico have been in cir-
culation along the border for some
time, and War Department officials pri-
vately have expressed their conviction
that the de facto government, or at
least Carranza's personal control, of
the political situation, was growing
steadily weaker. They have thought
that the time might come soon when
he would be forced to leave Mexico.

DIAGNOSTIC CONQUEST
OF STATE OF MEXICO

[By Associated Press.]
DOUGLAS, ARIZ., October 24.—Felix
Diaz completed the conquest of the
State of Mexico four days ago, when
he entered Toluca, the capital, accord-
ing to a message received here to-day
by a Mexican identified with the Diaz
government. Diaz was said to have
a short distance from Mexico City,
with a force of several thousand men
well armed and amply provisioned.

A letter from General Barron, a par-
tisan of Diaz, received here to-day, said
he was in complete control of the
State of Colima, having 3,000 men un-
der his command. He said that he had
sufficient arms and ammunition for
60,000 men.

Advices from the same source said
that General Aguilar, at the head of
several thousand men, holds the towns
of Sayula and Ameca, in Jalisco, as
well as the surrounding territory for a
considerable distance. The Carranza
forces were captured chiefly
around Guadalajara, it is said.

The State of Oaxaca, with the ex-
ception of the capital city of Oaxaca,
has been overrun by the Diaz adhe-
rents, the latter claimed. While not
under actual siege, the Carranza forces
were said to be surrounded in such a
manner that they cannot leave Oaxaca
without precipitating a general en-
gagement.

The forces of Zapata, several hun-
dred strong, were in the suburbs of
Mexico City, less than two miles from
the most densely populated quarters,
the latter asserted.

DEFEAT OF OZUNA'S
COLUMN IS CONFIRMED

[By Associated Press.]
EL PASO, TEX., October 24.—Gov-
ernment agents here claim to have
received additional confirmation of
Villa's reported defeat of General
Carlos Ozuna's column at Palomas,
west of Chihuahua City, on last Fri-
day. The confirmation is said to have
come from refugees reaching the bor-
der from Chihuahua City, who claim
that Villa captured General Ozuna's
eleven troop and supply train, carry-
ing ammunition, arms, machine guns
and supplies.

The refugees claim to have talked
with survivors of Ozuna's column, who
said Villa led the Carranza troops into
a trap at Palomas, then attacked from
the front, flank and rear and cut the
railroad line behind the trains. The
same source claims 250 Carranza sol-
diers were killed and an equal number
taken prisoner.

The refugees claim to have seen
Villa's camp fires six miles west of
Chihuahua City on Sunday night.

It is stated that Villa had received a
large amount of arms and ammunition
stolen from the government arsenals
by agents serving in the Carranza
army.

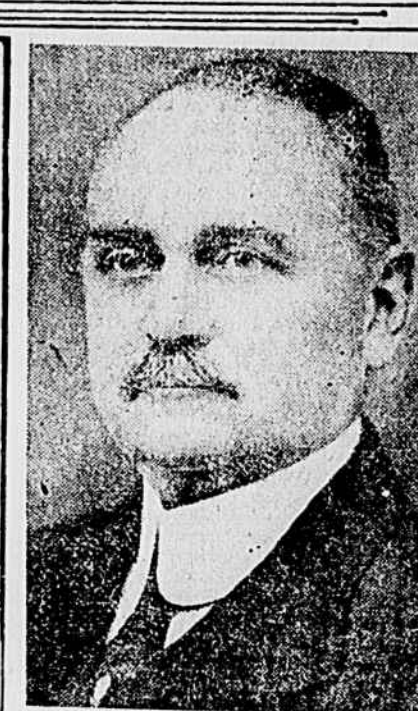
Governor Promptly Fills Judge Cardwell's Seat on Bench



CHRISTOPHER B. GARNETT,
Appointed on Corporation Commission
to Succeed Judge Prentiss.



JUDGE R. H. CARDWELL,
Who Has Resigned From State Supreme
Court of Appeals.



JUDGE R. H. PRENTISS,
Named by Governor as Judge Cardwell's
Successor.

CHURCH TAKES STRONG STAND AGAINST LIQUOR

Scores Saloon as Growing Menace to
Best Interests of Corporate and
Individual Life.

ASKS FOR ITS REPRESSION

First Time in Its History That Prot-
estant Episcopal Church Has Taken
So Firm a Position—Action
Outgrowth of a Memorial.

[By Associated Press.]
ST. LOUIS MO., October 24.—For the
first time in the history of the church,
according to well-informed leaders, a
stand on the liquor traffic was taken
here to-day in the General Convention
of the Protestant Episcopal Church.
A resolution adopted by the house of
deputies placed the church on record
as favoring "such action in our legis-
lative assemblies as will preserve the
interests of temperance and the repres-
sion of the liquor traffic."

The action was an outgrowth of a
memorial asking the convention to
record itself as favoring national-wide
prohibition, submitted by the church
temperance society, through Francis
L. Stetson, of New York.

SALOON IS SCORED
IN COMMITTEE REPORT

The saloon was scored in the report
of the committee which considered the
memorial. This said:
"Our age is witnessing vast and
universal readjustment with reference
to the manufacture and sale of liquor,
and it is generally recognized that the
saloon has become more and more a
menace to the best interests of our
corporate and individual life."

A resolution was presented in the
house of deputies to-day appealing to
"all of the people of the church to set
the example of self-control and tem-
perance by abstaining from the use of
intoxicating liquors as a beverage,
especially at public functions and so-
cial gatherings."

The resolution was referred to the
commission on social service.

A report showing that the church
has more than 1,000,000 communicants
and 5,700 clergymen was presented to
the house of deputies by the commit-
tee on the state of the church. Bap-
tists, the report showed, have in-
creased by about 12,000 and confirma-
tions by about 14,000 over the pre-
ceding triennium. Parishes and mis-
sions for the triennium totaled \$19,078,112.09,
as against \$14,320,147 in 1913. Endow-
ments aggregating \$55,000,000, many
educational and charitable in-
stitutions, and has an average income
of more than \$20,000,000 a year. En-
dowments for the support of churches
for the triennium totaled \$19,078,112.09,
as against \$14,320,147 in 1913. Endow-
ments for the support of bishops totaled
\$4,491,037, as against \$4,626,884 given
in the previous three years.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR AID
OF IMPERIAL CLERGY

Contributions for the aid of the im-
perial clergy came to \$3,295,052, and for
other purposes endowments totaling
\$28,064,411 were given. Sittings in the
churches for the triennium just ended
totalled 1,154,890, an increase of 194,672
over the triennium ending in 1913.
Church hospitals accounted for in the
report number 135, as against seventy-
nine accounted for in 1913.

A commission was appointed to-day
to make an investigation of the
spiritual and economic problems of
rural communities and to report in De-
cember 1919. The house of deputies
also took steps to appoint a committee
of three clergymen and three laymen
to gather statistics concerning the
number of communicants and the num-
ber of baptized persons in the church.

The world is no longer to be styled
"miserable and naughty" in the prayer-
book, the lower house decreed when it
substituted "sinful" for the phrase in
the commendatory prayer which was
objected to on the ground that it is
archaic.

Commander Is Commended.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, October 24.—Acting
Secretary Roosevelt to-day sent to
Commander Kenneth M. Bennett, of
the gunboat Castine, a letter, warmly
commending the officer's "skill and cool-
ness and persistent courage" in getting his
ship to sea and saving her in the storm
last month which swept the cruiser
Memphis on the rocks at Santo Domingo.

THEY FAIL TO FIND FLAW IN PRESIDENT'S ARMOR

Strongest Republicans Have Tried
In Vain to Search Out Mistakes
of Administration.

PRESENT NO BETTER POLICY

Secretary of Interior Franklin K.
Lane Pays Tribute to Wilson as
One of Master Minds of World.
Speaks at Syracuse.

[By Associated Press.]
SYRACUSE, N. Y., October 24.—With
the approach of the campaign of '16,
the Republicans have failed to "find a
flaw in Woodrow Wilson's armor," de-
clared Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of
the Interior, in an address here to-
night.

When Charles E. Hughes was nomi-
nated, he said, he felt a bit nervous
as to the outcome, because he felt that
if there had been any great mistakes
by the administration, Mr. Hughes
would reveal them.

STRONGEST REPUBLICANS
HAVE TRIED AND FAILED

"He was the Republicans' strongest
man, and he has failed," the secretary
said.

"The greatest men that the Republi-
can party has drawn to it, not only
Mr. Hughes, but Mr. Taft and Mr.
Roosevelt and your own State leader,
Mr. Root, have been challenged by
circumstances to prove their right to
the title of statesmen, and each has
done his best. But I ask you what
plan, what program, what policy have
they presented to the American people
more worthy, more practical, more
American than that which has been
pursued by Mr. Wilson? They have
done their best, and they have failed,
not because they were without ability
or statesmanship, or without an intense
desire to serve their country; they have
failed because with all their genius
they could do no better than that plain,
unassuming gentleman who four years
ago was in decision called a school-
master, but who has now risen to be
recognized as one of the master minds
of the world."

Mr. Lane said he did not question
the right of the Republican party to
commandeer a justice from the Su-
preme Bench, and put him at the public
service, "making him President of the
United States, if in a time of national
danger it was necessary, if he alone
could save the country."

"The Republicans talk much of
Americanism," he went on, "but this
campaign has shown that Republican
leaders do not understand America."

Speaking of President Wilson's pa-
tience in his foreign policy, he said:
"We are at peace, when, if we had
been impetuous, we would have been
at war, and that we have made no
friends among the belligerents because
people at war don't want judges; they
want partisans."

TAKES COURAGE TO PURSE
COURSE OF PRESIDENT

He added: "Perhaps you think it did
not take courage to speak the direct
word when spies filled the country and
every mail brought threats of death
and every coward of a politician
prophesied political death. If Wood-
row Wilson lives to write his auto-
biography or commits to other hands
the documentary history of his ad-
ministration, the world will know that
he had nerve as well as patriotism and
good sense."

The secretary went on to say, "He
misunderstands the spirit of this coun-
try who believes that by appeals, no
matter how artful or covert, to sectional
prejudice, to religious prejudice,
to class prejudice or to race prejudice,
he can overthrow the generosity and
the idealism of the people of this land."

CANDIDATES EXAMINED

Successful Ones Will Go to Europe
to Study Lumber
Conditions.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, October 24.—Exami-
nations of twenty candidates for ap-
pointment as government experts to go
to Europe to study the market for
lumber after the war were completed
to-day. Five are to be appointed, at
salaries ranging from \$5,000 upward.

J. W. McClure, president of the
Southern Hardwood Association, was
one of the examiners.

One of the appointees will be the
choice of the lumbermen of the coun-
try and the others of the government.
The men are to remain abroad for two
years.

RELEASE OF AMERICAN TOBACCO IS ORDERED

Between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000
Worth of Weed Now May Go
Forward to Destination.

CONCESSION BY GREAT BRITAIN

State Department Greatly Pleased by
Result of Protest, Lodged in Be-
half of Shippers—Tobacco Now
at Copenhagen and Rotterdam.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, October 24.—Release
of between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000
worth of American tobacco held at
Copenhagen and Rotterdam because of
the failure to comply with the condi-
tions of importation laid down by
Great Britain has been ordered as a
result of representations by the State
Department. The department an-
nounced to-night that it had been
advised of the action by the British
embassy, the statement adding that
"officers of the department express much
satisfaction over the concession given
in this case."

WAREHOUSE FACILITIES
ENTIRELY INADEQUATE

Because of inadequate warehouse fa-
cilities, the dampness and chilliness of
the atmosphere, the special brands of
tobacco, designed solely for use in
those countries, would have been
almost a complete loss unless relief
had been given quickly. The an-
nouncement follows:

"The British embassy has made the
following statement in regard to
American tobacco bought by dealers
for shipment to Scandinavia and the
Netherlands and affected by the res-
trictions put into effect July 15 last:
"Shipment of tobacco made under
bona fide contracts entered into before
July 15 need not be consigned to the
Netherlands Overseas Trust or covered
by guarantee in the case of shipments
to Scandinavia, provided that the con-
signments are under a direct steam-
ship bill of lading, before August 31,
and they must insist upon its fulfillment."

"It was at first announced as a con-
cession to American tobacco interests
that tobacco bought and paid for prior
to August 4 and shipped prior to Au-
gust 21 would be allowed to go for-
ward free of the restrictions referred
to above. It was found at once that
this concession was inadequate to re-
lieve the hardships brought upon to-
bacco interests by the sudden imposi-
tion of the restrictions named, and the
Department of State took up the ques-
tion with the British government, and
has since made every effort possible
to secure more favorable rule."

SHIPPMENTS WILL BE
ALLOWED TO GO FORWARD

"While the points at issue were
under discussion a large number of
shipments went forward and were de-
tained upon arrival at the various
ports at which they respectively ar-
rived. It is estimated that from
\$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 worth of to-
bacco now at Copenhagen and Rotter-
dam will become subject to release
under this new concession, and that a
somewhat lesser amount put on rail
before August 31, but detained at the
seaboard for one reason or another,
will also be permitted to go forward
free of all restrictions."

"Officers of the department expressed
much satisfaction over the concession
given in the case."

THEY MUST SALUTE

Uniformed Policemen of Pittsburgh
Ordered to Show Respect
for Flag.

[By Associated Press.]
PITTSBURGH, October 24.—Un-
iformed policemen must hereafter recog-
nize the Stars and Stripes with a salute
whenever seen on parade, according to
the duty manual for 1916 issued by the
Department of Public Safety, and just
made public.

The object of the rule, the manual
explains, in addition to proper respect
for the national flag, is to inspire in
all members of the police department
a livelier spirit of patriotism. It is
also recommended that the same honor
be accorded any funeral procession, but
this rule is not compulsory.

CARDWELL RESIGNS; PRENTISS IS NAMED AS HIS SUCCESSOR

Retirement Effective No-
vember 16, When New
Member Takes Seat.

C. B. GARNETT TO GO ON
CORPORATION COMMISSION

Raises Lively Question as to
Chairmanship, for Which
Rhea Is First in Line.

STATE TAX BOARD AFFECTED

Judge George Harrison to Head Su-
preme Court as Senior Rank-
ing Member.

Judge Richard H. Cardwell, presi-
dent of the State Supreme Court of Ap-
peals, yesterday sent